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Eleven Polling Places Set Up for Tomorrow's Voting

Torrance Board Candidates



Joseph P. Bay

A candidate to retain the Torrance Board of Education post...

Dr. Bay was appointed to the Board on April 6 following the resignation of Judge John A. Shidler...

A native of Torrance, Dr. Bay attended Torrance elementary schools and was graduated from Torrance High School with the Class of '39...

Completing his studies at the Los Angeles College of Optometry following his release from the service...

During his high school years he was active in Boy Scout work in Torrance and attained the rank of Eagle Scout...

Dr. Bay was married during the war and his wife, Nadine, was employed at the Torrance Herald for six years as Classified Advertising Manager...

The couple now have one son, Alan, and live at 2538 Torrance Blvd.

Both are active in work of the First Lutheran Church of Torrance. Dr. Bay has served the church as chairman of the building committee...

Dr. Bay is a member of the Torrance Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles County Optometrists Association, and Omega Epsilon Phi fraternity.

Plan Baptism Services for Sunday Night

Baptismal services will follow the evening worship hour Sunday at the South Bay Baptist Church...



Mrs. Opal Benard

Torrance housewife Mrs. Opal Benard, President of the Torrance Council PTA...

Mrs. Benard lives at 1448 Encina Ave. with her husband, Victor, a Los Angeles accountant, and three daughters...

The Benards have lived in Torrance for four years and prior to that lived in Inglewood for 11 years...

Prior to serving as President of the Torrance Council PTA, Mrs. Benard was first vice president of the club in '51-'52.

At present, she is Ways and Means Chairman of the Torrance Woman's Club and Membership Chairman of the Torrance Coordinating Council.

On her candidacy for the Board of Education, Mrs. Benard states "I believe in good schools and in bringing the relationship between schools and parents closer."

A native of Washington, Mrs. Benard came to California 21 years ago.

Drivers Lose Licenses for Auto Lapses

More drivers became walkers during the period April 26-30 when the Department of Motor Vehicles suspended or revoked their drivers' licenses for traffic lapses.

Walking are Douglas Birch, 25610 Narbonne Ave., Clifford Darrell Inskip, 2301 Pacific coast Hwy., Lomita, Richard McFadden, 22430 S. Harvard Blvd., Robert Kelly, 22239 S. Edgar St. and Dennis Wilson, 2433 Torrance Blvd., all suspended following an accident for failure to meet the requirements of the financial responsibility law.

Also John Bledsoe, 2529 Lesserman St. suspended because of failure of proof of ability to respond in damages until proof is restored; Cecilio Murillo, 1129 W. 253rd St., Harbor City, revoked on a third drunk driving offense; and Clarence Rooker, 21138 LaSalle Ave., suspended on a second drunk driving of fence within seven years.

Convicted of a violation but no suspension recommended by the court were Roy Hanson, 2717 Clarendon; Jack Judy, 216 Via Buena Ventura; and Frank Ronge, 1068 W. 254th St., Harbor City.

Licenses have been reinstated to Martin Bell, 1280 Fortola Ave., Frank Cannon, 2124 W. 250th St., Lomita, Severo Gadenza, 18337 Amie St., Amalia Garcia, 21712 Martin St., Donald Grant, 409 W. 233rd St., William Keller, 613 Sartori Ave., William Tate, 440 Redondo Beach Blvd., and William H. Waidle, 25015 Walnut St., Lomita.

hour, Sunday School classes are held at 9:45 a. m. with classes for all age groups, according to Gerald W. Stevenson, school superintendent.



Charlton A. Mewborn

Charlton A. Mewborn, a resident of Torrance since 1947, and a practicing attorney here since 1950, is one of the four candidates seeking support of the voters tomorrow for election to the Torrance Board of Education.

A member of the legal firm of Armstrong, Mewborn, and Hitchcock, the attorney is a member of the Torrance Kiwanis Club and has been active in the Seaside Ranchos PTA, where he was a founding officer. He has also been active in the Seaside Ranchos homeowners group and is past president of the organization.

A native of New York City, Mewborn traveled throughout the United States as his father, a newspaper advertising executive, served a number of papers during his career.

Attorney Mewborn received his AB degree from the University of Michigan and later received his LL B in laws at the University of Southern California. He practiced law in Memphis, Tenn., before the war. Later joining the Bethlehem Steel Co. staff. Following the war he worked in the legal department of a large insurance company.

The Mewborns have three children, Alice 13, John 11, and Betty 9, all students at Seaside Elementary School.

"I have always been interested in the Torrance Educational system since it was started in 1947," he said, "and I feel that I can be of service to the city if elected to the board."

Mewborn also feels that his legal training will be useful to the schools.

Youths Sign For Day Camp Slated By 'Y'

Campers are signing up for the Torrance YMCA Day Camp that is scheduled to open June 28 at the YMCA Building, 2080 Washington Ave. 'Y' spokesmen reported yesterday.

Camp Director Cliff Graybehl is lining up his supporting staff. Schedules for the overnight camping at Camp Archie Shields have just about been completed.

Two swimming periods for instruction have been scheduled each week at San Pedro YMCA for beginners and advanced swimmers.

A Craft instructor is being engaged to teach two mornings per week. Boys from 8 1/2 to 12 years of age will be included in this program.

Boys will be picked up five mornings each week and returned by 5 o'clock to their homes. Hikes, sports activities and tours of interesting plants and places will fill out the daily schedules.

Parents interested in this program for their sons are urged to call the Torrance YMCA at FAirfax 8-1272 to learn further details.



Edward L. Schwartz

"Public education today is faced with greater problems than at any other time in its history. This is particularly true in Torrance due to the tremendous gains in population in recent years," according to El Camino teacher Edward L. Schwartz, who is a candidate for one of the two vacancies on the Torrance Board of Education.

"If our children are to be given the proper schooling that they deserve, we must have people on our board of education who are not only aware of the problems but also know what to do about these problems," he said.

A graduate of Rutgers University and Southern California, Schwartz began teaching mathematics at El Camino last year. He received his AB in math at 3244 Eldorado. One son, Alan, is a first grader at Madrona.

"We must have a school board that will give us an adequate budgeting program to avoid the threat of half-day sessions," Schwartz states.

"We must have a school board that knows teaching problems and knows how to provide the best possible teaching staff."

"We must have a school board that will keep the community of Torrance advised of what is going on in the schools; that knows what and how the children should be taught; that will expand and improve our school system without waste of the taxpayers' dollars."

"As the parent of a child in our public schools and as a practicing teacher, as a former business man in Torrance, and as a professionally trained educator, I believe that, if elected to the Torrance Board of Education, I can do my part in making our school system one that will suit the needs of all the pupils and the parents in all of Torrance."

Fifth Annual Baton Contest Here June 19th

Majorities and drum majors from many Western states are planning to visit Torrance on June 19 for the Fifth Annual Southern California Baton Twirling Contest.

Sponsored by the Torrance Area Youth Bands, Inc., the event will begin at El Prado Park at 9 a. m. and is free to the public. It is under the direction of Rod White, instructor of the Torrance Area Youthettes Twirling Corps, hostesses for the day.

Five classes for majorettes and two classes for drum majors will be included. In addition, there will be twin-baton contests for junior and senior boys and girls. Awards will include a fully-paid scholarship to the College of Baton held annually at Papardine College in Los Angeles, a \$10 scholarship to all first-

Voters To Get Two Ballots On Poll Visit

Torrance voters will have 11 polling places, all of them at Torrance schools, when they select two new Torrance Board of Education members and an El Camino College trustee tomorrow.

Polls will be open from 7 a. m. until 7 p. m. at the schools listed below, and consolidation of precincts will be the same as that in the \$3,000,000 school bond election earlier this year.

Names appearing on the Torrance ballot will include Incumbent Joseph P. Bay, Mrs. Opal Benard, Charlton A. Mewborn, Edward L. Schwartz, and William H. Tolson. Tolson, former member of the board, has resigned and withdrawn from the race.

Standing for election from this district to the El Camino Board of Trustees are Jack N. Dabbs, Robert A. Owens, and J. Hugh Sherfey Jr. Incumbent Charles Ver Jones did not seek re-election.

The following polling places have been established for tomorrow's election:

No. 1, Perry School, 17831 Pacific Ave.

The consolidated precinct shall consist of Torrance City General Election precincts 20, 43, 58, 59, 60 and all of El Nido General Election Precinct.

No. 2, Carr Elementary School, 3404 W. 168th St.

The consolidated precinct shall consist of Torrance City General Election precincts 34, 35 and 52.

No. 3, North Torrance Elementary School, 17220 Casimir Ave.

The consolidated precinct shall consist of Torrance City General Election precincts 1, 40, 41, 47, 51 and 57.

No. 4, Madrona Elementary School, 21364 Madrona Ave.

The consolidated precinct shall consist of Torrance City General Election precincts 38, 42, 48, 49, 50 and that part of precinct 19 north of Sepulveda Blvd.

No. 5, Greenwood School, 1520 Greenwood.

The consolidated precinct shall consist of Torrance City General Election precincts 2, 6, 7, 11, 18, and 21.

No. 6, Torrance High School, 2200 Carson St.

The consolidated precinct shall consist of Torrance City General Election precincts 3, 4, 5, 13, 14, 17, and 22.

No. 7, Torrance Elementary School, 2005 Martina.

The consolidated precinct shall consist of Torrance City General Election precincts 12, 16, 39, 46, 63 and precinct 19 east of the center line of Anza Ave. and south of Sepulveda Blvd.

No. 8, Seaside Elementary School, 4651 Sharynne Lane.

The consolidated precinct shall consist of Torrance City General Election precincts 24, 28, 29, 30, 36, 37, 45, 55 and 61.

El Camino Candidates



Jack N. Dabbs

In the race for a position on the Board of Trustees of El Camino College is Jack N. Dabbs, general manager of M and M Enterprises and operator of the Jack N. Dabbs Insurance Agency at 1553 Cravens Ave.

Dabbs came to Torrance in 1938 to manage a local theater. He is now manager of four M and M theatres, the Stadium and Torrance theatres here, and two more in Gardena.

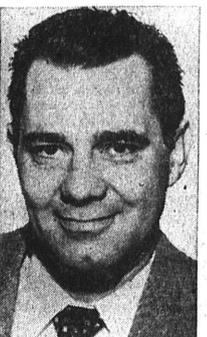
Dabbs, 41, lives at 1640 Juniper Ave. with his wife, Margaret, and three children, Janice 12, and Stephen 9, students at the Nativity Grammar School, and Marilyn, 5, a Madrona student.

Active in Community Chest work, Dabbs was Torrance City Chairman three years ago and Area Vice-Chairman for the two years since then. Last year, he also was first vice-president of the Harbor Area Welfare Board, a local governing board in an advisory capacity, of the Community Chest, and he is a member of the Chest parent board—the Los Angeles Area Welfare Council.

President of Rotary at present, Dabbs is president of the Torrance Rotary Club. He formerly held the office of treasurer.

Running for the position on the Board of Trustees to be vacated by Charles Jones, Dabbs states, "I think Charles Jones has done an excellent job and I will follow his lead." The Rotary leader stated that he heartily approves the "Pay-As-You-Go" plan at El Camino.

Born in St. Louis, where he attended high school, Dabbs came to California in 1935 with the Fox West Coast Theatres organization. He then joined the M and M group and moved to Torrance in 1938.



Robert A. Owens

A candidate for a position on the El Camino Board of Trustees is Robert A. Owens, Torrance resident for 20 years, who is in the real estate business here.

Owens lives at 1728 Martina Ave. with his wife, Mary Louise, and two pre-school children. He is a graduate of Narbonne High School and Woodbury College, where he was a member of Gamma Sigma Pi, business honor fraternity. He is president of the local Civilian Club.

Owens is a former assistant superintendent at Douglas Aircraft, worked with Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York as a life underwriter, formerly owned 50 per cent of an advertising agency and has done newspaper promotional work.

Served in U. S. Navy He served as an aerial bombardier for three-and-one-half years in the U. S. Navy.

Owens states: "I'm interested in the post because I believe that education is the backbone of the nation. I feel that I am quite cognizant of the tremendous growth of this area and the many problems it presents to civic-school bodies."

The real estate man also is past vice-president of the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce and past president of the Torrance Midday Toastmasters Club. He was born in Rodeo, Calif.

Officers To Be Installed

Officers of the Women's Society of Christian Service and the Methodist Men's Club will be installed Sunday at the regular worship service of the WALTERIA Community Methodist Church.

Topic of the sermon of the Rev. Gehres for the special service will be "The Quest for the Best."



J. Hugh Sherfey Jr.

Among the three candidates seeking to take over the El Camino trustee post held by Charles Ver Jones, who is not a candidate for re-election, is former Torrance Mayor J. Hugh Sherfey Jr., who has been active in Torrance civic affairs for a number of years.

"El Camino is one of the Southland's outstanding colleges, and Torrance should be represented on the governing board by a man experienced in public affairs," Sherfey said when announcing his candidacy.

A graduate of Buhl, (Ida.) High School, Sherfey attended the South Branch of the University of Idaho and was later graduated from the California College of Mortuary Science. He has been in business here since 1936 and is now managing partner in Stone & Myers Mortuary.

Sherfey was mayor of Torrance from 1946 to 1950, was first chairman of the War Bond Committee during World War II, Red Cross fund campaign chairman for 1953-54, and is a member of the city's Planning Commission.

A member of the Torrance Rotary Club, he served that organization as its president in 1941-42.

He is the father of two boys in Torrance schools.

The candidate also belongs to the Torrance Lodge 447 of the F. & A. M., is a member of Al Malakah Shriners, and an active member of the Torrance Mounted Police.

ORANGES FIRST

Oranges are the most popular of the fresh fruits for city families with bananas ranking second and apples third. Peaches are the most popular of canned fruits.



BATON TWIRLERS... Curtis Schimmel, 1543 W. 269th St., displays a trophy to be awarded at the Fifth Annual Southern California Baton Twirling Contest here June 19, while hostesses for the day pose in the background. Kneeling, left and right, are Judy Shroyer, 17450 Falds Ave., and Patricia McDonald, 17419 Falds Ave.; the trio standing in the center is made up of Tahni Sue Schimmel of the 269th St. address; Susan Wetly, 17520 Yukon Ave.; and Nancy McDonald, 17419 Falds Ave. With the sextet, members of the Torrance Area Youthettes Twirling Corps, in their instructor, Rod A. White of Glendale and his assistant, Natalie Houser, who is Glendale's junior twirling champion.